

## **MINUTES**

### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
10:00 A.M.**

**REGIONAL GOVERNMENT CENTER  
101 CIVIC WAY, LAUGHLIN, NEVADA**

**Members Present: Public Works**

Fred Doten  
Shawn Escarzaga  
Jim Bodley  
Steve Collins  
Jim DeWoody  
Marty Knauss (Excused)  
John Pantages

**Other Attendees:**

Tom Bartelmy, Laughlin Citizen/Public Safety  
Barbara Bodley, Citizen  
Julie Forman, Laughlin Times

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. **Fred Doten** called the meeting to order 10:01 AM as a quorum was present
- B. The meeting was conducted in conformance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.
- C. Agenda items were not taken out of order.
- D. The Public Works Committee did not combine two or more agenda items for consideration.
- E. The Public Works Committee did move an item from the agenda and delayed discussion until next month.

**2. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS**

- A. **Approval of the June 16, 2015 Agenda.**  
**Shawn Escarzaga** moved and **Steve Collins** seconded the approval of the agenda.  
Motion carried on a vote of 6 to 0.
- B. **Approval of the Minutes of the May 19, 2015 Meeting Minutes**  
**Shawn Escarzaga** moved and **Steve Collins** seconded the approval of the minutes  
Motion carried on a vote of 6 to 0.

**3. COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the Public reference any of the agenda items.

4. **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

Prior to discussing the agenda items **Fred Doten** noted that he had received an email from **Kaizad Yazdani** on Monday stating he was on travel and could not make the meeting. **Fred Doten** went on to say that one of the items he wanted to discuss with **Kaizad Yazdani** was the street signs within Laughlin. He continued by stating people driving into a town establish an impression of the town by their roads and street signage. If both are good then people have a favorable impression. If either is bad then these folks make a judgement that the town doesn't care and has very little pride for their town. **Fred Doten** continued and made the point that **Jim Bodley's** and **Shawn Escarzaga's** report was not only submitted to Intheworks but directly to **Kaizad Yazdani** as an example of what type signage problems we have. **Fred Doten** made the point that he wanted to make a major push over the next 3-4 months to get all the sign issues taken care of. **Jim Bodley** brought up the point that the majority of the crooked signs could be corrected with a sledge hammer; however, it is something we cannot do.

A. **Receive briefing from Clark County Public Works.**

**Fred Doten** said he would move this agenda item to next month.

B. **Receive an update on recent traffic studies in Laughlin and recent work orders submitted to Public Works and take any action Deemed appropriate.**

**Fred Doten** started the discussion by asking all to get out their copy of the work order sheet.

**Sewer plant turn lane:** **Fred Doten** noted he will be removing this item from the list. However, he went on to say that he wanted in the month of August or September to have the new plant manager provide a briefing to the committee on how the facility will function now that there is new management. **Tom Bartelmy** asked why **Jake Jacobson** was let go. **Fred Doten** explained it was basically because he was the junior manager. He went on to discuss how workers at this facility were transferred to other managers and how the management structure was realigned to support the reduction in force.

**Street sign at wrong place along Thomas Edison:** **Fred Doten** noted that continually brings this sign up to **Marvin Hoggard**; however, nothing seems to work. He also said that he had contacted **Kaizad Yazdani** to find out who he needed to talk to about the sign.

**Marking of El Mirage:** **Fred Doten** stated that he was corresponding with **Kaizad Yazdani** reference the signs, but so far he has not responded.

**No Sidewalk along Mesquite Lane.** **Fred Doten** said that **Gary Laswell** was support to inspect this area and get back to him as to whether this sidewalk was waived and who owned the street.

**Restriping of white lines on Needles Hwy:** **Fred Doten** noted that this was an item he wanted to discuss with **Kaizad Yazdani** at this meeting. He further noted that this was to have been done when they reconstructed Thomas Edison.

**Inoperable Street lights:** **Fred Doten** said the Street light replacement is working well. He commented that any time **John Koksha** is notified of lights being out he will send folks down within a day or so to fix them.

**New sign for Chamber Access Road:** **Fred Doten** said that a message was sent; but so far no answer.

**El Mirage Drainage at Banyon:** **Fred Doten** stated that this was an item to be discussed



with **Kaizad Yazdani** at our next meeting.

**School sign for Bennett Elementary is pointing incorrectly:** **Fred Doten** noted that this sign was gone and he did not know if it was going to be replaced. **John Pantages** interjected that there is now a yellow School sign at the location. **Jim Bodley** brought up the point that there should be a sign there stating "School Crossing", because it is a legal crosswalk and drivers need to be aware that kids will be crossing there.

**Urgent Care Sign on 163:** **Fred Doten** said he had not checked to see if it was gone. Julie Fairman she last checked for it about a month ago and it is still there.

**Business Sign on Needles Highway:** **Fred Doten** said the signs are up; however, they are pointing in the wrong direction. He noted that this had been submitted; however, to date nothing has been done about it.

**Missing Turtles on Needles Highway:** **Fred Doten** said these had been replace as well as the Texas Turtles on Bruce Woodbury. This item will be removed from the list.

**Yellow striping coming Loose:** **Shawn Escarzaga** noted that these had been repaired. She said she did not know when this happened. **John Pantages** commented that the material at the intersection of Thomas Edison with Hwy 163 was coming loose.

**Bus Stop Signs:** **Fred Doten** stated that when he has run his route; however, has not submitted his report. He said that he would make sure that he references school bus warning signs versus bus signs.

**Sign hidden on El Mirage:** **Fred Doten** stated he understands the issue and has pictures he will submit with his report.

**Street Sweeper in Bilbray Ranch Area:** **Fred Doten** stated that **Gary Laswell** was tasked to sort out what streets should be under CCPW control. **Fred Doten** said he would contact him again about this.

**Road Repair Priorities:** **Fred Doten** noted that he had received an email from **Kaizad Yazdani** reference road repair. **Kaizad Yazdani** said that they were establishing a priority list for road repair in Laughlin.

**Further Issues:** **Fred Doten** asked if there was anything else that needed to be discussed. **Steve Collins** noted that the signal light at Casino Drive and Hwy 163 needs some attention. He stated that on one occasion he was on Hwy 163 and sat for seven minutes before being able to go across the bridge. This brought up the signal light at Harrah's. **Marty Knauss** stated that this light needed to be adjusted. At the present it was there to accommodate folks going into Harrah's and not the through traffic on Casino Drive.

- C. **Discuss Zone Inspections and take any action appropriate:** **Fred Doten** noted that he was pleased with the reports he was receiving. He went on to say that these were being sent to INTHEWORKS for their distribution. He also felt it would be good for town pride if things were getting fixed. **Fred Doten** said one of his major concerns was the signage around town. Signage that is in disrepair reflects a negative impression to visitors. Broken signs, bent signs, etc. give one an impression that the town does not care. We need to make sure that this negative atmosphere is eliminated.

## 5. COMMUNITY INPUT/ PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the Community or from the committee members.

6. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting date for the Public Works Committee is **July 21, 2015**, 10:00 AM, Laughlin Regional Government Center, 101 Civic Way, Laughlin, Nevada. **Agenda items due no later than July 10, 2015.**

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 hrs.

**NOTE:** *These meeting minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the July 21, 2015 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the minutes of the July 21, 2015 meeting.*